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| UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL <small>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</small> | Attorney Docket No. 040472.267909 |
| | First Inventor: Stone et al. |
| | Title: SYSTEMS, METHODS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR IMPLEMENTING PROCESSES RELATING TO RETAIL SALES |
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Inventors: Stone et al.

Assignee of this invention is Lowe's Companies, Inc.

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2. ☐ Applicant claims Small Entity Status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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| BASIC FEE | | | \$ 0 | | \$ 770.00 | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS: | 195 - 20 = | 175 | X 9 = | \$ 0 | x 18 = | \$ 3150.00 |
| INDEP CLAIMS: | 27 - 3 = | 24 | X 43 = | \$ 0 | x 86 = | \$ 2,064.00 |
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- ☒ The above filing fee will be paid along with Applicant(s) Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts.
3. ☒ Specification; Total Pages 95
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b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
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i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) & 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
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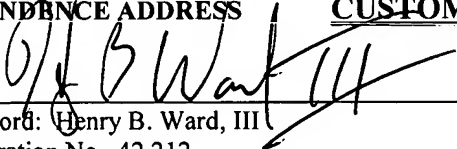
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10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (*when there is an assignee*); ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☒ Petition to Accept Color Photograph as Drawing, along with three (3) color photographs
37 CFR 1.84(b)(2))
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449; ___ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (*Should be specifically itemized*)
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☐ Foreign Priority is claimed as Application No. ___, filed
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17. ☐ Request for Early Publication Under 37 CFR § 1.219. Fee of \$300.00 is enclosed.
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☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation in Part (CIP)
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PETITION TO ACCEPT COLOR PHOTOGRAPH AS DRAWING
(37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(2))

1. Petition is hereby made to accept color photograph in this case.
2. Three (3) color photographs
☒ are submitted herewith, along with 4 sheets of regular formal drawings.
☐ have already been submitted in this application on
3. It has been determined that color photographs are the best medium for disclosing the subject matter to be patented and are necessary for this application.
4. The Petition fee of \$130.00 (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)) is enclosed herewith.
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Respectfully submitted,

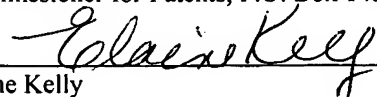

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